



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

**GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION**

**Nursing Home Week**

**WHEREAS**, Rhode Island has a deep sense of appreciation for the guidance and leadership provided by its senior citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, our senior citizens deserve respect and affection, and we are grateful because they enrich many lives with their encouragement and by sharing their knowledge and understanding; and

**WHEREAS**, we salute the residents of our nursing facilities, many of whom help build and sustain communities in the Ocean State; and

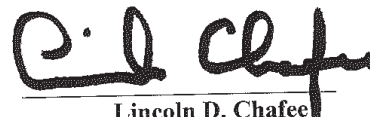
**WHEREAS**, nursing facilities with dedicated staff members provide caring and supportive services that enable the highest possible quality of life for our loved ones; and

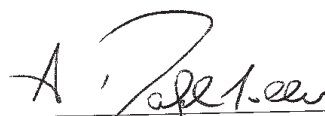
**WHEREAS**, it is important to raise awareness of the exceptional care that nursing homes provide to senior residents throughout Rhode Island; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee**, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim May 8-14, 2011 Nursing Home Week in Rhode Island and urge its citizens to recognize this observance.

Given under my hand and the great  
seal of the State of Rhode Island  
and Providence Plantations,  
this 13<sup>TH</sup> day of May, 2011



  
Lincoln D. Chafee  
Governor

  
A. Ralph Mollis  
Secretary of State